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governor,<sup>13</sup> but it was several months thereafter before he arrived to take over the government. The last warrant signed by Morton as governor was dated October 28, 1686, and Colleton assumed the government soon thereafter.

INSCRIPTIONS FROM THE BLAKE BURYING-GROUND AT "THE BLUFF,"  
ON WAPPOO

The following inscriptions were copied September 12, 1917, from the Blake family burying ground on the plantation on Wappoo Creek, called "The Bluff" which was formerly owned by Col. George Lucas, and was the place of his daughter Eliza's experiments in cultivating indigo. It was later owned by Edward Blake and his descendants, and lately by the late John N. Voorhees. An account of this plantation is given in this MAGAZINE, vol. xvi, pp. 63 to 65.

Captain Edward Blake (Naval Commissioner during the Revolution) died between August and November, 1795, leaving a will. His children were (1) Mary, who married first, in 1774, Thomas Rose, and second Nov. 1784, Charles Lining; (2) Sarah Blake, who married Rev. Henry Purcell, who had been married before; (3) Ann, who married Feb. 1777, Elisha Sawyer, and (4) Capt. John Blake, who married Nov. 1777 Margaret, daughter of Captain Peter Mercier.

Capt. John Blake (born 1752, died 2d July, 1810) and his wife Margaret Mercier (d. 16 Jan. 1824, aged 70) had issue:

(1) Elizabeth Blake 1782-1845

(2) Martha Ferguson Blake, married William Washington, they are buried in the old Elliott private cemetery on "Live Oak," St. Pauls parish, not far from Rantowle's bridge; in this same Elliott grave-yard, sadly neglected, are buried Col. William Washington, and his wife Jane Riley Elliott, and the only inscription to the stone which covers them both is "My parents Dear Lie Here. J. A." (This MAGAZINE, vol. x, p. 246.)

(3) Margaret Watson [?] Blake, married Rev. Nathaniel Bowen.

(4) Harriet Haig Blake, 1788-1840.

(5) Mary Maham Blake. [Footstone M. M. B.]

(6) Edward Blake.

(7) John Haig Blake 1799-1833.

(8) Jane Savage Blake, 1784-1803. Married Samuel Wilson.

<sup>13</sup> Public Records of South Carolina (MS.), vol. II, 143.

*Inscriptions*

Sacred/to the Memory of/Elizabeth M. Blake/Eldest daughter of/John and Margaret M. Blake/who departed this life/on the 9th. Sept. 1845/aged 63 years. [Eulogy omitted]

Sacred/to the Memory of/Harriet H. Blake/who departed this life/on the 18th. of June 1849/aged 51 years/and seven months/[Eulogy omitted]

Sacred/to the memory of/John Blake, Esq/who died on the 2d. of July 1810/aged 58 years/A Patriot of the American Revolution/and a Brave active and skillful Officer/. [Long eulogy.]

Sacred/to the Memory of/Margaret Blake/consort of/Capt: John Blake/who died January 16th. A.D. 1824/aged 70 years/[Eulogy omitted.]

Sacred/to the Memory of John Haig Blake Esq./who died/in Charleston his native City/on the 18th. of March, 1833, aged 34 years/ [Eulogy.]

Sacred to the Memory of/Mrs. Jane Savage Wilson/wife of-Samuel Wilson/and Daughter of/John and Margaret Blake/who departed this life April 6th. 1803/aged 19 years and 15 days/[Eulogy.]

Consoled by the hope of a blessed immortality/their afflicted Parents here deposited the remains of/Jane Wilson Bowen/Eldest daughter of/the Rt. Rev. N. & Margt. W. Bowen/who died on the /29th. of October 1826/aged 19 years/and/of/John Blake Bowen/only son of/the Rt. Rev. N. & Margt. W. Bowen/who died on the 1st. of December, 1826/aged 15 yrs 1 month/and/the remains of Margt. Blake who died 25th. March 1806 aged 6 days/and of Robert Smith who died 22d. June 1813 aged 1 yr. & 2 days/Children of the same Parents were also deposited in this cemetary/[Several lines of eulogy.]

[One other stone face down, too large to move, foot stone marked M. M. B. Evidently Mary Maham Blake.]